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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Terrence R. Green et al. : Confirmation No.: 7579

App. No.: 09/336,392 : Art Unit: 1616

Filed: June 18, 1999 : Examiner: Robert M. DeWitty

For: Medical device having anti-infective and contraceptive properties

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed March 27, 2002, for which a three-month extension of the period for response is requested and the fee paid in the enclosed transmittal, so that the period expires on September 27, 2002, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

Amend claims 61, 64, 65, 68, and 92-94 to read as follows:

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61. (Amended) An implantable anti-infective medical device, comprising a polymeric matrix selected from the group consisting of thermoplastic polymers, thermosetting polymers, and hydrogels, containing within the matrix an oxidant-producing component comprising a reducing agent and an oxidizing agent that, when wetted, causes the formation of an oxidant and sustained release of the thus-formed oxidant into and about the polymeric matrix so that the matrix serves as an anti-infective reservoir.